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                         NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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                                   OAKLAND DIVISION
    UNITED STATES ex rel. JULIA LEE,
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                                                 No. C-00-2921 SBA
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           Plaintiffs,
                                                 STIPULATION EXTENDING FACT
                                                 DISCOVERY CUT-OFF AND ORDER
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       v.
    HORIZON WEST, INC., and HORIZON
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    WEST HEALTHCARE, INC., formerly
    known as HORIZON WEST
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    HEADQUARTERS, INC.,
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           Defendants.
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           Pursuant to Civil L.R. 6-2, and subject to the Court's approval, the United States of
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    America, Relator Julia Lee, and Defendants Horizon West, Inc. And Horizon West Healthcare,
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    Inc., hereby agree and stipulate to the following:
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1	1. On December 14, 2005, the Court issued an Order for Pretrial Preparation setting the				
2	following dates and deadlines:				
3	Fact Discovery Cut-off:		August 31, 2006		
4	Expert Discovery Cut-	-off:	September 29, 2006		
5	Dispositive Motion Ho	earing Deadline:	November 14, 2006		
6	Pretrial Conference:		December 12, 2006		
7	Trial:	January 8, 2007			
8	2. On April 6-7, 2006, the parties participated in private mediation with Mediator Gail				
9	Killefer, and have since continued to negotiate with the assistance of Ms. Killefer. The				
10	undersigned counsel for the parties have reached a proposed agreement on the major terms of a				
11	settlement of this action, subject to approval by the Assistant Attorney General of the United				
12	States, and subject to the execution of a written settlement agreement. The undersigned expect				
13	to finalize the settlement within 30 days.				
14	3. In an excess of caution, the Parties wish to extend the fact discovery cut-off by 29				
15	days, to September 29, 2006, the same date as the expert discovery cut-off. This will allow the				
16	parties to focus on finalizing the settlement, without fulfilling pending discovery obligations. In				
17	the unlikely event that the settlement is not finalized, the Parties will have an additional 29 days				
18	to complete fact discovery.				
19	4. With respect to outstanding discovery obligations, the parties agree to the following				
20	new dates and deadlines, if the settlement is not finalized by these dates:				
21	Defendants' Responses to United States' First Request for Production: May 31, 2006				
22	Deposition of Joan Barlow:	June 19, 2006			
23	Deposition of Sheila Waddell:	June 20, 2006			
24	Deposition of Dennis Roccaforte:	June 21, 2006			
25	Deposition of Sharon Donnelly:	June 22, 2006			
26	5. There have been no previous time modifications to the case management schedule set				
27	forth in the Court's December 14, 2005 Order for Pretrial Preparation.				
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1	6. The requested extension of the fact discovery cut-off will have no effect on the				
2	Court's schedule in this case because the dispositive motion, pretrial, and trial dates will remain				
3	the same.				
4	IT IS SO STIPULATED.				
5			Respectfully submitted,		
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7 8			KEVIN V. RYAN United States Attorney		
9	DATED: E	By:	/s/		
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12	DATED: E	By:	/s/		
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17 18	DATED: E	Ву:	 DONALD R. WARREN, ESQ. Attorney for Relator Julia Lee		
19 20			HOOPER, LUNDY & BOOKMAN, INC.		
21			HOOFER, EURDT & BOOKIMMIN, INC.		
22	DATED: E	By:	MARK E. REAGAN, Esq.		
23	//		FELICIA SZE, Esq. Attorneys for Defendants		
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ORDER

Pursuant to stipulation, and for good cause shown, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the discovery cut-off for fact discovery is extended from August 31, 2006 to September 29, 2006. All discovery, including expert discovery, shall be completed and all depositions taken on or before September 29, 2006.

IT IS SO ORDERED. This 4th day of May, 2006.

SAUNDRA BROWN ARMSTRONG United States District Judge